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FOR WILLIAM DRAPER

ROME FOR FODAG

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE

REF: DRAPER-BYROADE CABLE LETTER OF 28 OCTOBER 1974

1. WE HAVE CONTACTED MALIK KHUDA BAKHSH BUCHA, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRIME MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE, AND GOP DELEGATION LEADER TO THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE. MR. BUCHA FREQUENTLY HAS EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE POPULATION PROBLEM AND URGENCY OF DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM. WE UNDERSTAND THAT MR. BUCHA IN HIS SPEECH TO THE CONFERENCE IS LIKELY TO MENTION THE URGENT NEED FOR MEASURES TO REDUCE RATE OF GROWTH OF POPULATION AND MAY POINT OUT THE EFFORTS PAKISTAN IS MAKING IN THIS DIRECTION. WE BELIEVE THAT THE GOP DELEGATION IS VERY LIKELY TO SUPPORT A RESOLUTION SUCH AS THAT PROPOSED IN YOUR LETTER AND MIGHT BE PREPARED ALONG WITH OTHER COUNTRIES TO CO-SPONSOR SUCH A RESOLUTION. WE ARE NOT SURE WHETHER IT WOULD BE PREPARED TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN INTRODUCING SUCH A RESOLUTION.

2. I SUGGEST YOU CONTACT MR. BUCHA AND DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH HIM. YOU WOULD LIKE HIM AS HE IS A VERY INTERESTING FELLOW. HE IS CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN ROME ON NOVEMBER 3. BEST REGARDS.

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